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BORN A MAN; DIED A GROCER.—We don't know whether the following is the invention of some person having a grudge against grocers or not; but it's certainly very good. We hope none of our grocers will imitate the example of the young man mentioned below:

A grocer's apprentice, a fine young man, of 25, named Arsene, who loved literature neither wisely nor well, lately hung himself in his master's house, in Paris. Upon his table, amid a heap of books, was found the following letter, the orthography of which was not on a par with the style: "I am but a grocer and shall never be anything else. I always think of that caricature representing a grocer standing on the threshold of his door, and making this reflection, 'Born to be a man and condemned to become a grocer.' He who thus judged our calling was in the right. For many years I have tried to improve my mind; I have read, and even copied out, books which I don't understand. All this muddles my head, and I find that I become more stupid every day. The longer I live the worse I shall be. Now, I remember to have read somewhere that a man should apply his intelligence to be useful to humanity, and as I see I shall never be fit for anything but to weigh cheese and dried plums, I have made up my mind to go to another world which I have heard of, and see whether there may not be a place for me there. I ask pardon of my brethren for speaking in this disparaging way of our common profession; but I defy them to point out a single instance of a grocer having ever made his way to a higher position. There are plenty of manufacturers who have become deputies, and are decorated and like to be with all sorts of honors, but the like has never happened to a grocer. For these reasons I have determined to hang myself by my parents' memory, and to inscribe upon it these words: 'Born to be a man; died a grocer.'"

THE NEW ACT ON FORTIFICATIONS.—The new Act for defraying the expenses of constructing fortifications for the protection of the Royal Armies and dockyards, and the ports of Dover and Portland, and of erecting a central arsenal, shows the manner in which the sum of £2,000,000 is to be expended between the 1st of August last and the 1st of August next. On fortifications and works at Portsmouth, £580,000 is to be expended; £450,000 at Plymouth; £60,000 at Pembroke; £60,000 on the Thames; £100,000 on the Medway; £170,000 at Chatham; £50,000 at Dover; £30,000 at Cork; and £150,000 on a central arsenal; making a total of £1,650,000. A sum of £350,000 is put down for works in progress already sanctioned by Parliament, making the total of £2,000,000. The several sums include the expense of purchase of land and other incidental expenses. The money (£2,000,000) is to be raised by creating annuities for a term not exceeding 30 years, and guardians and trustees having the disposition of money may subscribe for annuities. The contributors may anticipate payments for the annuities created, which annuities are payable and transferable at the Bank of England.—*London Dispatch.*

A ROMANCE OF THE GALLEYS.—One of the special correspondents of the Paris *Constitutionnel* relates a romantic episode of convict life at Toulon:—"Among the small number of convicts who are still undergoing their punishment in the bagnes of Toulon was one X—, condemned to the galleys for participation in the disturbances at Be-darioux. Certain indications, certain whispering confidences, had caused doubt to arise as to the real culpability of this person; people went so far as to say that he was the victim of a judicial error to which

he had voluntarily lent himself, and that the real culprit was his own brother, employed as a mechanic in the arsenal of Toulon. Until lately these rumors had been vague—the affair was a sort of tradition among the galley slaves; but a few weeks ago—X—, the mechanic, died from the results of an accident, and then the condemned brother no longer hesitated to declare that he was innocent, and that he accepted his wretched position only to save his brother, who, thanks to his place, earned enough to sustain the whole family. These facts having come to the knowledge of M. de Fleury, Perfect of the Var, that magistrate thought it his duty to inform the Emperor of them, and, after consulting the Commissary of the bagnes, who is convinced of the innocence of the convict, the Emperor at once granted X—a free pardon, and, moreover, sent him 200 francs."

END OF THE NEW YORK BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.—Tieman and Kavanagh having beaten White, Lynch and Geary, played a game together, which was won by Kavanagh; this entitled Kavanagh to the gold mounted cue, and on the 1st inst. he had the honor to be beaten by Phelan. The game consisted of 750 points, commenced at half-past five o'clock P. M., before a large and select audience of ladies and gentlemen, the rule having been laid down that no gentleman should be admitted without a lady. This was, we believe, the first occasion on which the ladies of New York have been permitted to see this beautiful game played by the best players of the age. Those present manifested a great degree of interest in the progress of the game, and freely assisted in giving that applause to the players which some of their shots demanded. Punctually to the minute, the contestants appeared upon the scene, cue in hand, and the game was immediately commenced. During the first part of the game no large runs were achieved by either of the players, although some exceedingly difficult shots were successively made by both. Until 200 points were scored Mr. Kavanagh had the lead, it being the general opinion that Mr. Phelan designed that it should be so. The former gentleman having succeeded in making a run of 147, Mr. Phelan followed by making 75 points, these being the largest runs made. Mr. Phelan then, by runs of 30, 40, 50 and 60, took the lead, and held it to the end. While making a brilliant run near the last, having but one point to make, he missed a shot, allowing Mr. Kavanagh to follow. This he did with such success that he had but 60 to make when Mr. Phelan took a turn, and easily made out. Through the entire game the play was very fine, the interest being kept up to the very last shot. The game lasted two hours.

THE OWNER OF MONTE CRISTO.—The Supreme Court of Porto Ferrajo passed sentence on the 5th inst. in the case of Mr. George Watson Taylor, proprietor of the island of Monte Cristo, who was accused of having encouraged reactionary demonstrations among his dependants, and uttered the cry of "Viva Leopold II." with expressions of contempt for the reigning Sovereign. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor having placed themselves beyond the jurisdiction of the Court by crossing the French frontier, allowed by judgment to go by default. Mr. Taylor was found guilty, and sentenced to 18 months imprisonment; but the crime of Mrs. Taylor (a French lady) was considered more heinous, inasmuch as she was stated to have said, looking at the portrait of Victor Emmanuel, that he was more like a *marionnette* than a king. For this *jeu d'esprit*, as she perhaps considered it, the Court sentenced Mrs. Taylor to 22 months imprisonment. The four laborers employed by Mr. Taylor, and accused of participating in his political indiscretions, were acquitted.

ARSENIC EATERS IN CUMBERLAND.—A stream called Whitebeck, in West Cumberland, contains arsenic in determinable quantity. The arsenic is most probably derived from veins of arsenical cobalt ore, through which it percolates; for a few yards above the source of the beck there is the entrance of a mine which is very rich in arsenical ore. The arsenical water is habitually used for every purpose by the inhabitants of the little village of Whitebeck, and with beneficial results so apparent that one might be justified in paradoxically characterizing it as a very wholesome poison the deadly elements of dilution being not live of the most sanitary effects! Ducks will not live if confined to the Whitebeck, and while trout abound in all the neighboring rivulets, no fish are ever found in the arsenicated stream. But its use by the villagers does not give rise to any symptoms of arsenical poisoning, but rather to the effects which are observed in Styria, among the arsenical eaters there. When the railway was being carried past Whitebeck the first use of the water produced the usual marked effects on the throats both of the men and horses employed on the works. The soreness of mouth from which they at first suffered soon, however, disappeared, and in the horses gave rise to that sleekness of coat assigned as one of the effects produced by the administration of the effects produced by the administration of a minute but repeated doses of arsenic. It is a question how far the rosy looks of the Whitebeck children, and the old age which a large proportion of the inhabitants of the village attain, are to be attributed to the arsenic present in the water.

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And a general assortment of GENTS' FURNISH-
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The Tailoring Department connected with my
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d2 1m

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For Fire and Life Assurance
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Furnish Bills of Exchange in sums to suit, and at
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Pay highest price for Gold Dust.
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BASKETS LOUIS LAREUX & CO'S CHAM
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Wine. For sale by
RYCKMAN & MARKS,
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n39

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NEW FIREPROOF STORE,

YATES STREET,

Where they offer for Sale an Entirely New Stock of

DRY GOODS,

CLOTHING,

Hats & Caps,

ETC.....ETC.....ETC.

Also, a full assortment of

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Gents' Furnishing Goods

Their large and well assorted Stock enables them
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Business Hours from 10 A. M. to 6 P. M. Open
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Gents' O. S. Fur Gloves, lined;

Gents' O. S. Seal Skin Gloves, lined;

Ladies' O. S. White Norway Gauntlets, for
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Gents' Mock Gauntlets;

Gents' Ringwood Gauntlets, lined;

Gents' Ringwood Gloves;

Gents' Stout Aberdeen Gloves, lined;

Gents' Buck Gloves, scarlet lined;

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All of which Goods I shall offer cheap for cash.
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Particular attention paid to the Manufac-
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Work, and all other kinds of Jewellery made to order
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Powdered do in boxes,
Bacon, (Patterson & Knapp, 1860.)
Lard, (Jewell & Harrison),
Billings' Hams,
Ryo Beans,
Golden Gate Flour,
Prime Hams,
Barber's do
Pork in hlt bbls,
Butter in firkins,
New Butter in cans,
English Cheese,
Piper's Oysters,
Field's do
H & Baker's do
Lobsters,
Assorted Meat in cans,
Roast Mutton do
Sardines in 24 and 12 boxes,
French preserved Meat,
Italian Macaroni,
Vermicelli,
Sperm and Adamantine Candles
Choice Black Tea,
Java Coffee,
Rio do
Cases Polack Matches,
Cases Wax Matches,
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And a general assortment of Groceries and Provi-
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G. VIGNOLO,
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One Elegant Brocade Set with two Sofas.

—ALSO—
4 Mahogany Chests of Drawers;
4 do Bureaus;
3 cases Boston Rockers;
6 do cane and wood seat Chairs.

—ALSO—
An Invoice of Groceries, consisting of Billings
Hams, 19 kits of Mackerel, No. 1; 43 boxes Pearl
Starch, 10 firkins of Choice Butter, 5 cases of Lard, 20
boxes of Colgate's Soap, 10 kegs of Dried Apples, 10
cases of Oysters, 200 bags of Salt, 25 gross of Pipes, 5
cases of superior Black Tea, 10 cases of Soda Crack-
ers, 10 cases Jenny Cakes, 4 cases of superior Winter
Clothing, 5 dozen Wash Boards, 2 gross of Yeast
Powders, 1 case of Ax Handles, 10 boxes of Pepper

—ALSO—
4 cases of Toys for Christmas.
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n10

Just Received,
EX BARK "VICKERY," AND OTHER RECENT
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6 firkins Choice Istimus Butter, superior to any-
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20 cases Split Peas, new crop;
20 lbs Dwarf Macaroon, Queen of Dwarfs, Early
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25 TONS S. I. SALT,
Sugar in kegs and bbls,
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For Sale by
JOHN T. LITTLE & CO.,
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THE BRITISH COLONIST

TO ADVERTISERS.

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Communications of general interest to the public, will not be refused insertion in the COLONIST on account of differing with the views of the paper, provided that they are brief and to the point.

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Notice to Subscribers.

Subscribers to the DAILY or WEEKLY BRITISH COLONIST, in British Columbia or Washington Territory, are hereby notified that on and after this date all papers will be sent by MAIL, unless specially ordered by some other conveyance.

VICTORIA, Nov. 17th, 1860.

Friday Morning, Dec. 7, 1860.

Passenger Coaches Wanted in British Columbia.

Our advices from the mines all concur in the statement that British Columbia has a larger mining population wintering there than during any previous winter since the influx of immigration. The successful mining season which is now closing up, has demonstrated the existence of inexhaustible deposits of auriferous wealth spread over the whole length and breadth of the colony. The mining population are content to wait for another season to benefit by the explorations and discoveries of 1860; and steamboat-men, packers, traders, and agriculturists, feel confident that the coming year will be more prosperous than any that has preceded it. But what is most wanted still to give a greater impetus to the mines are good roads—speedy and cheap means of communication. So far as steamboat facilities are concerned, between Victoria and New Westminster, and between the latter place and Douglas, Hope and Yale, there need be no difficulty in meeting the wants of the country. It is after you leave the head of navigation on the Fraser and Harrison—it is in penetrating by land into the interior, where the greatest difficulty exists. Had the government been less torpid, and shown more enterprise, it might, by borrowing money and paying the interest with the sums expended on trails, have long ago constructed good wagon roads into the interior. We cannot see any excuse for not raising the necessary funds. Had the roads been left entirely to private enterprise, we have no doubt but those portions between Douglas and Cayoosh would have been projected, if not in operation connecting Cayoosh with Alexander. Were the latter in operation, it would confer incalculable benefits on the country. Under present difficulties, the distance between Douglas and Cayoosh—110 miles—has been made in thirty hours. Were the roads across the portages made passable for vehicles, the time would be reduced to twenty-four hours.

From Cayoosh to Hat river, where the trail branches to Fort Alexander the distance is 42 miles. From Hat river to Alexander the distance is about 180 miles. With Concord wagons—the best kind of vehicles for a new stage route—and a passable road—the time occupied in making the distance between Cayoosh and Fort Alexander, about 240 miles, would not exceed two days. Thus within four days after the miner landed in Victoria, he might be set down in the centre of the Northern mines. The time so gained, when compared with the slow process of land travel, even by canoes on the Fraser, would be a large profit in itself; and then the expenses would be less than at present. Were the government at all disposed to act generously it would offer a bonus of five or ten thousand dollars for the first daily line of coaches between Douglas and Fort Alexander, or at least between Cayoosh and the latter place. Some such inducement would be money well spent, and we have no doubt enterprising parties would be found who would undertake making a passable road for their daily line of coaches from Cayoosh northwards. Last Spring, from a month to six weeks were occupied by miners in reaching Fort Alexander. Could it be reduced by the outlay of a little capital combined with private enterprise, it would be equivalent to adding a month to the mining season in the Spring, and prolong mining operations in the Fall. Besides, it would aid very materially in settling up the country. The short distance, in point of time, would attract many to the interior who would otherwise be loth to go. In addition, miners in California and elsewhere would think nothing of exploring our mines under such circumstances. The expense would be a trifle. It is the loss of time and the serious obstacles to impede travel that represses the current of immigration which would other-

wise set into the mines. The fact is fully established, that our mines are the richest on the coast; to render them then, as accessible as possible, should be our first object.

As a mere commercial speculation, we believe that a line of coaches over the route named would pay better next spring than almost any other operation that capital could be invested in. The latter part of the route from Hat river, up the divide, would be likely to pay the best. For at Hat river the travel from all the Southern mining districts would meet on their way north. First, there would be the travel by the Yale and Hope trails via Lytton to Hat river. Second, the travel from Similkameen. Third, from Rock Creek. Fourth, from the Dalles. Thus five mining districts would support a daily line of coaches from Hat river to the Northern mines.

Reported Shipwrecks.

Yesterday morning, Mr. Michael Muir received a letter from his brother, residing at Sooke, to the effect that another vessel, name unknown, had been wrecked near San Juan harbor. The letter says that the bows of a vessel had been seen floating about by the men at work on the wreck of the schooner D. L. Clinch, and that a foremast, together with a quantity of rigging, had come ashore. The account also stated that the wrecks of two other vessels were reported by Indians, as ashore near Cape Flattery; and the supposition was that all hands had been lost. The reception of this letter, of course, excited considerable among the mercantile portion of the community; and a request was made to His Excellency Governor Douglas that one of the gun-boats might be sent down to ascertain the truth or falsity of the report. The Governor, however, declined to do so, until further particulars had been received.

About two o'clock yesterday afternoon, the schooner Meg Merrilies arrived in the harbor from Barclay Sound; and the captain stated he had heard nothing of the wrecks, as he had passed the localities during the night. Soon after, an Indian canoe from Cape Flattery was hailed, and one of the occupants, in reply to inquiries, said that a very large vessel had been lost near Nettinet Sound, two or three days ago; that she had a cargo of lumber, and he thought she was a full-rigged ship. He also said that when he left Nettinet yesterday morning, the Sound was full of floating lumber, and that portions of the vessel and rigging had come ashore. All hands were supposed to be lost, as none of the crew had been seen. He knew nothing of the wrecks reported outside Cape Flattery.

In consequence of these statements the town is thrown into a state of painful uncertainty; and much anxiety exists among those having friends and goods on board several vessels now fully due at this port. The schooner Rob Roy, however, is expected to arrive to-day or to-morrow from the wreck of the schooner Clinch, when some further particulars will be received. The vessel reported lost near Nettinet Sound is probably the ship John Marshall, bound to San Francisco with a cargo of lumber. It is difficult to conjecture what vessels may have gone ashore outside. The bark Vickery is 25 days out from San Francisco; and the vessels from London—the Nanette, consigned to Messrs. Stamp & Co., and the Alma, to Messrs. Sam'l Price & Co.—are out, the first 160 days, and the latter 150 days. The Alma, however, was to have stopped at the Sandwich Islands, and in case she did so, could not have made the mouth of the straits by this time.

We are inclined to doubt the truth of the report of the loss of two vessels outside. Indian statements are always dubious, and are generally taken by old settlers *cum grano salis*. That there is truth in the report of the loss of a vessel at Nettinet Sound, we believe—supported as it is by the testimony of white men. However, in a few days, at most, we shall learn full particulars, and until such reach us, we would advise all to hope for the best.

FREE DISCUSSION.—By our legislative report it appears to be the intention of the Assembly to call the COLONIST to account again. Our advice is, to pass an act to prohibit free discussion altogether, or at least institute a censorship over the press. The people need not trouble themselves about anything then, the Assembly or the censor would think for them. What member will volunteer to bring in a bill for the purpose? Don't all speak at once.

MASONIC BALL.—We understand that it is the intention of the Masons of Victoria to give a ball on St. John's Day, December 27th. Get your erinoline ready.

AUCTION SALE of groceries, etc., at McCrea's salesroom this morning, at 11 o'clock.

IMPORTANT TO THE READING PUBLIC!—From and after this date, the VICTORIA NEWS DEPT will supply the people of Victoria with papers at the following prices; 3 American papers for 25c; 5 English papers for \$1; Magazines proportionately low. Those who cannot afford to pay those prices will be supplied gratuitously, if they will only call and say so.

December 5, 1860.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

MUSICAL INSTRUCTION.
MRS. KING (PUPIL OF BRINLEY RICHARDS), will give private instruction to young ladies in music, (PIANOFORTE and HARP), and SINGING, temporarily at the Philharmonic Hall, Government street. Hours from 12 till 4 each MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY.
d7 1m E. H. KING, Fort street.

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The Charges of Larceny and Arson Against James Herbert.

The charges of larceny and arson against James Herbert, were examined yesterday morning at the Police Court, before Mr. Pemberton. Herbert is accused of having stolen a coat from John C. Zast, a lodger at the China restaurant, and also of having fired the building at the corner of Waddington alley and Johnson street at an early hour on Monday morning. The accused was formerly a resident of San Francisco, where he was foreman of Crescent Engine Company, No. 10. Since 1858, however, he has been a miner on Fraser River; but seems to have met with indifferent success. The first witness called was

John C. Zast, a ship-carpenter, who testified that on Monday morning, between one and two o'clock, he was asleep in the China restaurant, Waddington alley; was awakened by the noise of a man coming up the stairs; the man came into his room and struck two matches; he stood near witness' table at the time and he thought he was going to bed, but he soon went out again; soon after heard an alarm of fire, and on getting up found that his coat was gone; had left it on his table when he went to bed that night; Herbert used to sleep in the same room; witness identified a coat produced in court as belonging to him; and said it was worth about six dollars; the next morning he made complaint at the police office of the loss of his coat.

Policeman Welch deposed to arresting Herbert and finding the coat in a cabin near Johnson street.

Special Officer Phillips—Saw Herbert standing on the corner of Waddington alley and Johnson street, between one and two o'clock on Monday morning last; went around the block and returned to the same corner in from five to seven minutes; smelled smoke, and on going into the yard of the building at the corner of Waddington alley and Johnson street, saw the building was on fire; there was fire in two places—one on the stairway and one at the top of the stairs; the fire on the side of the stairs came from the lining; the one on the top was caused by chips in gunny sacks on fire; I put it out at once; a few minutes after the fire I again met Herbert near the China restaurant; when I first saw him standing on the corner, he had no coat on; but the second time he had a dark sack on; he said to Mr. McGee, "You fellows is lightning on the wing;" we then had suspicion that he had started the fire, and tracked him to John Kennaday's cabin, back of Johnson street; the coat produced in court looks like the one prisoner had on.

John Kennaday, sworn—Am a miner; on Sunday morning was drinking with Herbert; he was somewhat the worse for liquor, and I told him to go to bed; he left me, as I thought, to go to bed in the China restaurant; but some time after I met him again, and we had something to eat at King's saloon, and then Herbert and I went home together; in the morning I was awakened by a policeman, who had a coat on his arm, and he asked me how it came in my cabin; I told him I did not know; and, at his request, went along with him.

Policeman Bevis and special officer McGee were examined and testified to about the same facts as Phillips.

Thos. Barnes sworn—Am a saloon-keeper, know the prisoner at the bar; there was half-a-dozen persons in my house talking on Sunday evening last, and Herbert said he would "like to see a fire;" he said that was what he was waiting for—he wanted to see the firemen to work; but such remarks are very common among firemen.

Mr. Pemberton—People should be very careful about making such remarks.

Herbert—Isn't such remarks often used by firemen.

Witness—Yes; very commonly.

Mr. Pemberton—Is Herbert a fireman?

Witness—He was one in California, but not here; he belonged to Crescent Engine Company No. 10 in San Francisco.

This concluded the evidence, and in reply to an inquiry from Mr. Pemberton, the prisoner said he was not prepared to make any statement in regard to either charge; and that he had a very poor recollection of what had happened that night.

Mr. Pemberton said he considered the evidence strong enough to warrant him in sending the charge of arson to the Court of Assizes for trial; and the charge of larceny to the Court of Quarter Sessions.

The prisoner was then remanded to prison to await his trial.

NEW THEATRE.—Mr. J. B. Robinson has leased one of the Hudson Bay Company's storehouses, situated on Government street, within the pickets. The building is 90 feet deep by 40 wide, and 25 feet high. It is the intention of the lessee to fit it up in elegant style—superior to any North of San Francisco. It is calculated that it will contain between 500 and 600 persons. The interior arrangements have not yet been decided upon. We wish Mr. R. every success in his undertaking.

COMMISSIONED.—John G. Titcomb, has received a commission from the Governor, authorizing him to act in the capacity of pilot for the port of Victoria, vice Broderick, deceased.

NO PERFORMANCE.—In consequence of the illness of one of the company, there will be performance by the Robinson Troupe this evening.

House of Assembly

THURSDAY, December 6th, 1860.

The House met at half-past two o'clock. Present—Speaker Helmecken, Messrs. Franklin, Tolmie, Waddington, Green, Cary, Crease and Southgate.

NEW MEMBERS.
Messrs. Burnaby and Gordon, the newly elected members, having been introduced by Mr. Crease, took the various oaths, and assumed their seats as members of the Assembly.

BILLS FROM COUNCIL.
The Speaker then read messages from the Council transmitting the Victoria Bridge Removal Act with its amendments, and a new bill entitled an Act to confirm certain Titles to real property in Vancouver Island. (This is a bill providing for the legality of titles received from the Hudson Bay Company.)

BREACH OF PRIVILEGE!
Mr. Crease called the attention of the Speaker to an article in the only newspaper published in the city, purported to be edited by Amor DeCosmos, and which was a direct attack upon the character of two members of this House.

(Read the letter signed "An Elector," in the COLONIST of 29th ultimo.)
It required no comment to show the effect of such articles as these on the characters of those attacked, and would ask the Speaker to inform him of the proper course to be taken in the matter.

Mr. Speaker.—The article in question being signed an Elector there is only two methods to pursue, one to summon the editor before the House, the other to appoint a Committee of Privilege to inquire into the matter.

Mr. Crease moved that the editor of the BRITISH COLONIST be summoned to appear at the bar of the House to answer for the publication of the article.

Mr. Waddington.—If the editor is responsible let him be called to the bar of the House to explain. But I imagine the best course to be pursued, would be to appoint a Committee of Privilege to inquire into the matter. I do not approve of the article in question; but would remind the hon. members that he and others had been subject to the same species of attack from the Royal Gazette and that no notice had been taken of them by the House. It also struck him as singular that the affair should be brought up only after two elections had been held and eight days had transpired since the publication of the letter—it certainly seemed to him that if it were to be inquired into the inquiry should have commenced before. He might be wrong, but the *modus operandi* did not appear to him altogether straightforward.

Mr. Crease. This is the first opportunity I have had of drawing the attention of the House to the letter. This House has not met since Friday and as I do not take or read the paper I had not seen the article up to our last session.

The amendment was then put and carried, and Messrs. Foster, Waddington, Crease, Cary and Burnaby were appointed a Committee to enquire into the matter. The Committee will meet at 1 o'clock to-morrow in Committee Room.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the Enclosure Act, which was referred to a Special Committee and the House adjourned till to-morrow at 2 o'clock.

COLONIAL THEATRE.—Last evening the performances at this theatre were of a very excellent nature. The entertainment was gotten up by the Tiger Engine Company, for the benefit of the Potter Dramatic Troupe, and that efficient company appeared in full uniform, making a fine appearance. Miss Lulu played in her best style; sang in her most charming manner; and gave the audience one of her prettiest dances. She was loudly applauded. Mr. Beatty was, as ever, excellent; and Mr. Mortimer pleased everybody. The performance concluded about 11 o'clock. On Saturday (to-morrow) evening, a grand bill is announced: "Asmodeus, the Little Devil;" "Toodles;" and the "Rough Diamond."

PIGEON STEALING.—We learn that there are parties in town who are engaged in the petty-larceny practice of stealing pigeons by decoying them into traps by means of looking glasses. Within a short time past Bishop Demers has lost ten fine pigeons. Lately two returned with strings to their legs. We recommend the pigeon-stealers to stop such tricks, or else they may find themselves caged.

ARRIVAL FROM BARCLAY SOUND.—The schooner Meg Merriles, arrived from Barclay Sound yesterday afternoon, in 14 hours—a very quick trip. There is nothing new from the settlement.

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